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SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN STARK PROPOSES TO INTRODUCE RESOLUTION
OF INQUIRY ON U.S. CITIZENS IN MEXICAN JAILS.

1. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT CONGRESSMAN STARK INTENDS
SHORTLY TO INTRODUCE A "RESOLUTION OF INQUIRY DIRECTING THE
PRESIDENT TO PROVIDE TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN U.S. CITIZENS
INCARCERATED IN MEXICO NOT LATER THAN 10 DAYS AFTER THE
ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION."

2. WE HAVE NOT SEEN COPY OF THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION BUT
UNDERSTAND THAT FOLLOWING IS PROPOSED LANGUAGE AND
SUBSTANCE:

I. THE PRESIDENT IS DIRECTED TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMA-
TION ON:

A. INCARCERATION OF ANY U.S. CITIZEN IN MEXICO
CONTRARY TO THE LAWS OR CONSTITUTION OF MEXICO.

B. ANY DENIAL BY MEXICO OF RIGHTS POSSESSED BY
SUCH CITIZEN UNDER THE LAWS AND CONSTITUTION OF THAT

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NATION.

C. THE INHUMANE TREATMENT OF ANY SUCH CITIZEN
WHILE IN THE CUSTODY OF MEXICAN OFFICIALS OR IN THE
PRESENCE OF ANY OFFICIAL OF THE UNITED STATES.

D. WHETHER ANY U.S. OFFICIAL HAS RECEIVED A FEE
FOR REFERRING A DETAINED AMERICAN TO A MEXICAN ATTORNEY.

II. THE PRESIDENT IS DIRECTED TO:

A. ORDER THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO PROVIDE ANY
INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF THE FOLLOWING PRISONERS
(LIST OF ABOUT 100 PRISONERS, PROBABLY THE SAME LIST
ALREADY GIVEN TO SCA).

B. THE PRESIDENT IS DIRECTED TO PROVIDE INFORMA-
TION AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION OF THE FOLLOW-
ING:

1. INFORMATION AS TO THE NATURE AND DETAIL
OF EACH ACTION THE EXECUTIVE HAS TAKEN TO REMEDY ANY
INSTANCE REFERRED TO IN SECTION I OF THIS RESOLUTION
AND WHETHER OR NOT SUCH INSTANCES TOOK PLACE WITH
RESPECT TO INDIVIDUALS OF SECTION II.

2. INFORMATION ON ANY PLANS OR ALTERNATIVES
CONSIDERED OR ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH IN ORDER
TO PROVIDE FUTURE RELIEF WITH RESPECT TO ANY SUCH
INSTANCE SO AS TO CARRY OUT THE OBLIGATION OF THE
PRESIDENT WITH RESPECT TO CITIZENS ABROAD UNDER SECTION
2001 OF REVISED STATUTES (22 UNITED STATES CODE 1732).

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT ONE WIRE SERVICE STORY TELLING
OF CONGRESSMAN STARK'S INTENTION TO INTRODUCE THE
RESOLUTION, BUT NOT GIVING THE DETAILS OUTLINED ABOVE,
HAS ALREADY BEEN FILED.

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